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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
IRRADIATING A TARGET

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**PETITION FOR CERTIFICATE OF
CORRECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.322**

Attention: Certificate of Correction Branch
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.322, Applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner for a Certificate of Correction for the above-identified U.S. Letters Patent incorporating the following changes:

1. In column 7, line 53, delete ~~OR~~ and replace with OF. Support for this replacement can be found on page 15, line 22 of the specification as originally filed.
2. At Column 12, line 39, please delete ~~found~~ and replace with formed.
3. At Column 12, line 50, please delete ~~superposing~~ and replace with superimposing.

CONCLUSION

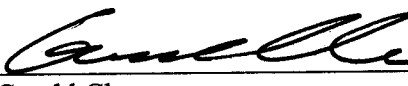
Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.322, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner to issue a Certificate of Correction for U.S. Patent 7,283,638 B2, which incorporates the above-identified correction. Form PTO/SB/44 showing the change is enclosed herein.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Certificate of Correction, he or she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the number listed below so that, if necessary, an interview with Applicant and/or Applicant's attorney can be arranged.

The error appears to be on the part of the Office and it is believed no fees are due. If for any reason a fee is found to be necessary, our Deposit Account No. 50-4047, referencing billing no. **VM7012072001** may be charged therefore.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO : 7,221,733 B1

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

IN THE SPECIFICATIONS:

In column 7, line 53, delete ~~OR~~ and replace with OF.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Column 12, Claim 4 should read:

--The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of generating an image signal further includes the steps of:

illuminating the target and an area near the target with a first image beam;

and

detecting a first image of the at least one marker formed by the first image beam.--

Column 12, Claim 6 should read:

--The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of adjusting a radiation beam further includes the steps of:

superimposing the tracking signal on a radiation treatment plan; and

generating a beam adjustment signal using the treatment plan with the tracking signal superimposed thereon.--

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